

Summer Job In Soil Ecology

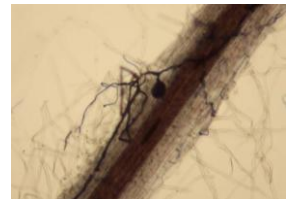
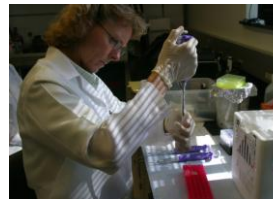
BACKGROUND: The Agricultural Research Service (ARS), the principal research agency within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), invites currently enrolled college students who are pursuing further education to apply for a summer internship. Internships with ARS are a wonderful opportunity for talented college students who are pursuing majors in scientific disciplines (especially those relating to Biology/Ecology/Agriculture) to gain hands-on experience working side by side with scientists and technicians in laboratory and field settings for eight weeks or more. An intern will be selected to conduct independent research at the Fort Keogh Livestock and Range Research Laboratory (LARRL), in Miles City, Montana. This summer internship is an opportunity to earn an excellent wage while also learning about ARS careers.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?

Any enrolled student who:

- is a U.S. citizen
- 16 years of age or older
- Currently enrolled and has successfully completed at least one year of classes at an accredited vocational, technical, two-year or four-year college/university in a degree program with at least six hours in math and/or science courses; and plan to continue your education in the fall of 2010 (need to supply proof of enrollment)

LOCATION: USDA-ARS
Fort Keogh LARRL
243 Fort Keogh Road
Miles City, MT 59301
Pay: GS-3: \$11.95/hour



See: <http://www.larri.ars.usda.gov/>

KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED: General knowledge of the basic principles of biological science. The intern will work independently across diverse sites and quantify water stable aggregates (WSA) and water infiltration rates—key measures of soil health. The intern will also be exposed to other research concerning Plant Ecology, Mycorrhizal research, and Range Ecology. Training will be provided but candidates with demonstrated ability to work independently, lead, conduct research in the laboratory/field, and problem solve are all highly desirable. Critical is the ability to work eight hours outside in all summer weather conditions.

HOW TO APPLY: Please submit a resume or an OF-612 downloaded at
<http://www.ars.usda.gov/SP2UserFiles/Place/54340000/of612.pdf>

For more information & application forms, contact us at 406-874-8200

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 2, 2010

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